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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket Nos. 01-338 & 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 5, 2003, Duane Ackerman, Chairman and CEO of BellSouth, spoke by telephone with Chairman Michael Powell. In this meeting Mr. Ackerman explained BellSouth's position on the Triennial Review, special access, and problems posed by the increasing use UNE-P. Mr. Ackerman emphasized the importance to BellSouth, and the exchange carrier industry more generally, of avoiding changes in current FCC rules that prevent competitive local exchange carriers from using UNE loop transport combinations to transport interstate traffic carried over interstate special access services.

In accordance with Section 1.1206, I am filing this letter electronically and request that you place it in the record of the proceeding identified above. Thank you.

Sincerely,



cc: Chairman Michael Powell